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SUBJECT: SITREP - VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN HONG KONG

1. NUMBER OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES CURRENTLY IN HONG KONG IS 3,863. AN ADDITIONAL 27 VIETNAMESE REFUGEES FROM SWEDISH SHIP MAY OR MAY NOT BE PERMITTED TO LAND IN HONG KONG SOME TIME TODAY.

2. HKG IMMIGRATION BREAKDOWN AT THE MOMENT IS 1,551 MALES, 861 FEMALES, AND 1,281 CHILDREN 18 YEARS AND UNDER. ADDITIONALLY, THERE ARE 115 HOSPITALIZED REFUGEES WHO HAVE NOT BEEN BROKEN DOWN BY SEX AND AGE GROUPS AND THE 67 FROM SWISS AIR AND AIR AMERICA WHO ARE BEING TREATED AND HOUSED SEPARATELY.

3. LOCAL ICEM OFFICE HAS RECEIVED TELEX FROM ITS GENEVA OFFICE CLAIMING THAT CONGEN HONG KONG HAS AUTHORITY FOR 67 TO PROCEED TO GUAM AND INSTRUCTING ICEM TO ASSIST IN TRANSPORTATION. WE HAVE INFORMED ICEM THAT WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED SUCH AUTHORITY.

4. FORMER DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS GVN NOW IN REFUGEE CAMP HONG KONG HAS REQUESTED, BY LETTER TO CONSUL GENERAL, THAT HE AND HIS FAMILY BE EVACUATED TO THE UNITED STATES.

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